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Memorial Day Friday With Usual Program Should Interest Many

The observance of Memorial Day in Northfield on Friday will again follow the usual arrangement of former years, and the program already given to the public has only one change. Rev. Benjamin F. White, pastor of the South Vernon church who was scheduled to make the address, is ill at the hospital and in his stead the speaker will be Rev. T. Frederick Cooper of Greenfield, associate rector of St. James Episcopal church. Orders for the day call for assembly at the high school grounds, where the parade will be formed with Commander Emory Rickett as Marshall. After the decoration of the G. A. R. tablet in Alexander hall, the parade will start, led by the Greenfield high school band, under the leadership of William S. Jeffs, as director, and march to the Center cemetery, where the memorial services will be held and the address given. All patriotic organizations, the Legion, Sons of Veterans, Boy and Girl Scouts, school children and friends will be represented in the march. In case of rain, the exercises will be held in the town hall. From the cemetery the marchers will go to the town hall, where the War tablet will be decorated and the parade dismissed. The entire arrangement of the observance of the day is in the hands of the Memorial Day committee, which represents the American Legion and the Sons of Veterans, and of which Dr. Richard G. Holton is the chairman. The Northfield Transfer Co. will transport the band. Irving J. Lawrence will preside at the organ during the exercises for the singing of the hymns and the megaphones will be in charge of Elliott Clark of Greenfield. It is hoped that our citizens will respond in the observance of the day and that at all homes and business places the flag will be displayed, in the usual manner.

Former Hermon Teacher Dies In California

Miss Sally M. Clough, who for 22 years was a teacher of modern languages at Mt. Hermon school, died in Glendale, Calif., on Sunday, May 18 at the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Page, with whom she had been living. Miss Clough was a graduate of Arlington (Mass.) high school and Boston University. She received her M. A. degree from Radcliffe and studied abroad at the University of Berlin, the Sorbonne of Paris, and at the University of Grenoble, France. She came to Mt. Hermon in 1913 and retired from teaching in 1935. Her sister, Mrs. Page, passed away after a long illness on May 8 and this sorrow no doubt hastened the illness and death of Miss Clough, and the news of her death came as a shock to her many friends on the Hermon campus. Miss Clough had hoped to attend the 60th anniversary of the founding of Hermon which will be observed next month. She is survived by a cousin and her brother-in-law. Funeral services were held at her late home and burial was in California at Glendale.

Receive School Honors

Northfield high school honors have been received by Donald G. Newton as valedictorian, and Evelyn Russell, salutatorian. Donald Newton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Newton of Northfield Farms and is 18. He has been class secretary for three years and manager of the high school ball team this year. He took part in the high school play, and is also a pro merito member. He plans to enter Massachusetts State college in the fall. Miss Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Russell of Northfield Farms has been a high honor student throughout her high school course. She was vice-president of her class in her freshman and senior years; treasurer in her junior, and member of the glee club in both junior and senior years. At the close of her sophomore year Miss Russell was awarded the Becker College scholarship. She plans to enter Atlantic Union college in South Lancaster in the fall. She is a pro merito member and also took part in the class play.

Herbert C. Parsons Native Of This Town Died Last Friday

Herbert C. Parsons, a favorite son of Northfield, died at Wyman house in the Cambridge hospital last Friday night at the age of 79. He was prominent in politics, was an editor, a writer and social worker. He had served in both branches of the state legislature, was particularly interested and had served in the political affairs of Greenfield, during his residence there, where he also was a founder of its newspaper and for many years its editor. His activities in more recent years were along the lines of social endeavor, particularly child welfare and the organization of the Unitarian Laymen's League, of which he was for four years, its president. His recent interest in historical matters of this town led to his engagement as the writer of "The Puritan Outpost," filled with his personal recollections. Because of his social endeavors he was given an honorary degree by Harvard in 1931. At one time he was a trustee of the Wrentham state school. Mr. Parsons was born in this town, Jan. 15, 1862 and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Parsons. His mother was a widow with eight children and his father, a widower with two children when they were married, and to them two children were born, Herbert and Mary Lane. Herbert worked on the farm and attended his father's store, while studying at the public school. At 21 he was chosen a member of the school committee, and was sent as a delegate to the state Republican convention, which thus began his political experience. He had also served as moderator for Northfield in its town meetings. He attended the local Unitarian church, was a member of the church choir, united with other organizations and always retained his interest here. He was a frequent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Barr on Main street. Mr. Parsons married in 1891 Charlotte Converse Severance of Greenfield, who died after a long invalidism at their home in Brookline in 1926. Their daughter, Harriet Louise Parsons resides in Boston and with whom Mr. Parsons in recent years made his home. Mr. Parsons had enjoyed good health after an active life, and his illness was of only short duration at the time of his death. He was a member of Republican lodge of Masons of Greenfield. The funeral service was held at the First Church, Unitarian, in Boston on Monday morning, with the minister, Rev. Charles E. Park officiating. His body was brought to Greenfield for burial in the family plot in Green River cemetery.

Light Rains Help

The first relief in some time from the drought which has prevailed in this section, came last Friday evening, and was welcomed by all. However there was not sufficient rain and the high winds following has left the ground as dry as ever. Clouds of dust have been spread by the high winds from the plowed meadow lands and at times rolled across the highway at various places. The soil is unusually dry and is a threat to summer gardens. Brook are low and there is a decreasing flow from the springs. A heavy rain is much needed.

Warwicks Home Reunion

The town of Warwick will again hold its annual Old Home Reunion this year, which is attended by many from this town. The dates decided upon are Aug. 16-17. On Saturday at 10 a. m. there will be sports, from 1 to 2 a band concert, 2 to 3 entertainment, 3:30 baseball game, 6 supper and at 8 reunion ball. Sunday at 11 there will be a union church service at 2:30 a community sing and at 7 vespers.

On War Base Tour

M. J. Madigan of the Rock Island Farm on the Hinsdale Rd., who has so completely improved the former Stearns homestead, has been called as an assistant to Secretary of War Stimson at Washington and left last week for an inspection of the new army and navy war bases. He left by plane with his first stop at Trinidad, and will make visits at all others. Mrs. Madigan, the former Sibyl Stearns, went to Washington with her husband to see him off on his mission.

Dr. Elliott W. Brown Retired Clergyman Died Last Sunday

Long a resident of Northfield with a home on Main street, the Rev. Dr. Elliott Wilber Brown, retired Presbyterian minister, died at the Holyoke hospital on Sunday morning at the age of 81. He had been ill for a long time. Dr. Brown was born in Ripon, Wis., on Aug. 25, 1859, the son of Edwin T. and Elizabeth R. Marsh Brown. He was graduated from Wabash college in 1885, received a Master's degree there in 1888, and his degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1904. He also was graduated in 1888 from the McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, now the Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Ordained to the ministry that year, he was pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Seattle until 1892, when he became pastor of the old Westminster church in Detroit. Subsequently he was pastor of churches in Dubuque, Iowa, and Glen Ridge, N. J., before going to New York as pastor of what is now the North Presbyterian church, where he served from 1915 to 1925. In 1928 he accepted the pastorate of the First Congregational church in Holyoke and retired in 1933. While in New York he was vice moderator of the Presbytery of New York from 1923 to 1925, and a trustee at the same time. He was a member of the Moderators Council, the board of managers of the American Tract Society, and the standing committee of the New York Federation of Churches. During his Seattle pastorate he was moderator of the Presbytery of Puget Sound. After returning East, he was moderator of the Congregational society of New Jersey.

Dr. Brown had been much interested in the Northfield schools and the summer conferences and in 1907 established his summer residence here. After his retirement with Mrs. Brown they made Northfield their permanent home.

It was in 1888 he married Miss Minnie M. Wollcott of Chicago, a sister of Mrs. William W. Coe. Mrs. Brown died last January, much beloved and highly respected. Dr. Brown loved Northfield and its people and had done much to interest friends in the community and aid its development. He leaves one brother, Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, former secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions in New York City.

The funeral services were held at his late home on Tuesday afternoon in the presence of a large number of friends from Holyoke and from this town. Rev. Robert Bonner Jack and Rev. Edward Fairbank participated while Rev. T. T. Brown gave the eulogy. Irving J. Lawrence sang two selections. Burial was in Center cemetery at the conclusion of the services.

Win Magazine Prizes

Current events featured the assembly program of the school Wednesday with S. Lakin as the speaker and the distribution of the Time magazine prizes. Kenneth Franz was announced as the student whose mark was highest in the entire country, an average of 96. He chose as his book prize, "The Purple Pirate."

Mr. Lakin, whose home is in York, Me., and who has spent much of his life in the consular service, strongly recommended that the United States take immediate action in negotiating if possible, but seizing if not possible, such islands as the Azores and Cape Verde. He pointed out the necessity of being in possession of Dakar, or making sure that the Nazis do not gain it, in order that South America may be protected.

"Isolationists," the speaker said "approve of our retaining Honolulu, which is 2,000 miles from the Western Hemisphere, and yet cannot see the necessity of our possessing Dakar, which is less than 2,000 miles from South America."

Other prizes for excellence in the Time contest of current events were won by Wilson C. Schramm, Thomas B. Ryfsnyder, Charles R. Wiesmann, Richard T. Gregg, D. Thompson, Eugene Harmon, John M. Muste, George A. Butter and Robert J. Pierce.

IS Your ANCESTRAL HOME IN COOL PIONEER VALLEY?

The Jacob Day Homestead in West Springfield, built in 1754 and occupied by the family for almost 150 years.

Homestead of William Cullen Bryant, the famous poet, at Cummington, from about 1796.

Birthplace of Dwight L. Moody, renowned evangelist and educator at Northfield. Built about 1800.

Pioneer Valley NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

The above has been published in a large number of papers by the Pioneer Valley Association as a call to people of the land to return to their ancestral homes, for a vacation or for permanent settlement. The appeal may bring many interesting replies. Northfield is featured in the advertisement with a picture of the birthplace of Dwight L. Moody.

Local Defense Committee Plan Safety Measures

The Civilian Defense Committee for this town was in session last week Thursday evening at the home of George McEwan, the chairman to consider further efforts to have Northfield ready for any emergency. Already several divisions for definite effort have been created and now provision has been made for first aid, with Miss Hazel L. Schooley in charge and fire protection with Charles L. Johnson in charge, both being added to the committee roster. Very soon the committee will solicit the cooperation of our citizens in defense measures and it is hoped that all will find a place in the duties to be performed against a common enemy. This is no alarming move, but it behooves us to be ready for any emergency as our situation in the Connecticut Valley is particularly vulnerable in case of war. Everyone of us, should know just where our place is, when war dread alarm is sounded.

WCTU Spring Meeting

The spring meeting of the Franklin county Womans Christian Temperance Union was held in the Goodale Memorial church at Bernardston on Tuesday with Mrs. E. M. Morgan the county president presiding. The morning session was at 10, followed by luncheon and an afternoon gathering. Mrs. Samuel E. Walker of this town conducted the devotions and a number of pupils from the eighth grade of our public schools presented a temperance play. Miss Purrington, our district nurse, spoke on child welfare and Harold Cairns rendered a piano solo. The address was by Rev. J. Glover Johnson of Mt. Hermon. Many members from the local WCTU attended.

The Grange

Northfield Grange was host to Arlington Grange of Winchester and Wantastiquet Grange of Hinsdale at their regular meeting Tuesday evening. The visiting Granges offered a program of readings, recitations and musical numbers, closing with a medley of songs by the "schoolbus choir" from Hinsdale. Refreshments were served after the program by a committee from the local Grange, with Mrs. Gertrude Gibson as chairman.

Hermon Track Meet On Memorial Day

Sixteen schools from New England have entered 250 contestants for the interscholastic track meet to be held at Mt. Hermon on Memorial day. The feature of the spring track sports season was formerly held at Amherst, and for the past three seasons Mt. Hermon school has sponsored it. Competition is keen this year for the first place, which was won last year by Choate by the narrow margin of one-twelfth of a point, with Mt. Hermon second. Cheshire was third, closely followed by Newton.

The schools and the number of entries are as follows: Admiral Billard, 9; Belmont High 13; Cheshire 4; Choate 23; Cushing 11; Deerfield 15; Holden High 16; Kimball Union 17; Loomis 17; Mt. Hermon 59; New Hampton 10; Newton High 11; Suffield 6; Vermont Academy 9; Wilbraham 13; and Williston 11.

Winners of points who are returning include Trimble of Choate and Zilly of Cheshire in the shot; Zilly in the pole vault, discus and javelin; Burton of Loomis, Guttersen of Deerfield, and Anderson of Choate in the high hurdles; MacNaughton of Williston, Anderson of Choate, and Butler of Kimball Union in the low; Newbold of Loomis in the hammer; Bucksbaum of K. U., winner of the 100; Trimble and Anderson of Choate in the high jump; and Stevenson of Mt. Hermon in the 880.

All teams but Mt. Hermon look stronger this year. Deerfield with good weight men, sprinters and hurdlers should be among the leaders. The shotput competition looks very strong with Trimble doing 53 feet and others over 50. The low hurdles with four point winners of last year should furnish a close race. The high hurdles have three winners back.

Goes To East Indies

Mr. Wabeke, who at the beginning of the second term, joined the faculty of Mt. Hermon, to teach French and history, will leave soon to accept a professorship in the Municipal University at Batavia in the Dutch East Indies. Mr. Wabeke is of Dutch descent and has studied at Leyden University in Holland. Before leaving he is to marry Miss Emily Squires, who is a member of the faculty of Colby Junior college.

The Town Meeting Was In Willing Mood Votes Water Service

A large attendance of citizens were present at the special town meeting held Monday evening, when called to order by Moderator William F. Hoehn at eight o'clock. Town Clerk Josephine S. Haskell read the warrant and the tellers appointed were Charles L. Johnson and Mrs. Willis Parker. As each of the various articles were presented, a sponsor was called upon to explain the same without argument or debate and then offered to the floor for consideration. The Northfield Water Co. was voted the sum of \$260 for hydrant water service for the remainder of the year; the sum of \$85 was appropriated from the machinery account for the purchase of a stone rake; the sum of \$1000 was voted, taken from the machinery account, so that the selectmen may trade the town trucks for new trucks; a sum of \$10 a week was voted as a guarantee to two truck drivers, for minimum wage during the winter months; the price of labor, after rescinding the action of 1933, was fixed at 50 cents per hour, and the sum of \$50 was voted for work at Center cemetery. The removal of the Belcher fountain as contemplated in Article 7 was voted down, although the selectmen will probably be faced with a rearrangement of the square after the new highway on Main street is completed. The highway will make an inroad upon the greensward of about 11 feet. There was very little discussion at the meeting and the voting decisions were made either unanimously or upon a two-to-one basis.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. King of Raleigh, N. C., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Eunice Baldwin to Lawrence Lazelle Durgin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Durgin of the YMCA, Tokio, Japan and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Lazelle of this town and Mrs. Anna L. Durgin of Rosindale. The wedding will take place on Wednesday, June 18 at the former home of Mrs. King in Columbia, S. C., in the church, Dr. Jackson officiating. Miss King for the past year has been associated with the Student Volunteer Movement speaking at schools and colleges through the eastern states with headquarters in New York City. Mr. Durgin since graduating from Dartmouth college a year ago, has been serving a church in Cornish, N. H., as pastor and giving part-time to YMCA work in the Student Movement.

Tax Rate Reductions

Eighty-four Massachusetts communities, including eight cities, thus far have reported a decrease in their 1941, Henry F. Long, State Commissioner of Corporations and Taxations revealed this week.

Increases over the 1940 level have been reported by two cities and 55 towns, while 22 towns have decided to retain their 1940 figure for another year.

The \$51 rate reported by the town of Hinsdale is the largest thus far this year. This represents a \$7 increase over last year. To date Gosnold's \$15 figure is the lowest. Last year the town's rate was \$16.

A total of 29 cities and 159 towns have not announced their 1941 rates. A dozen or so of Franklin county towns have reported their rates which are generally lower than last year. However Northfield awaits the announcement of its rate by its assessors.

Congregational Church

Sunday school, 10; morning service, 11, with Rev. Edward Dahl as the preacher; Christian Endeavor, 7:15; Young People's Forum will be discontinued for the remainder of the season. There will be no Sunday evening service during the month of June. Thursday at 7:15, mid-week prayer meeting.

Will Show Paintings

Townpeople are cordially invited to attend an exhibition of recent oil paintings and chalk drawings by Robert Strong Woodward to be shown from May 30 through June 9 in Margaret Olivia Music hall at the Seminary. The exhibit will be open on Monday through Friday from 2 to 5:30, and on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a. m. to 5:30.

Commencement Plans For Northfield Schools Seminary - Hermon

The Commencement programs for the Northfield schools will begin on Friday, June 6, and reach a climax on Monday, June 9, when more than 300 boys and girls will graduate from the Seminary and Mt. Hermon.

At Hermon the senior supper takes place Friday evening, and on Saturday afternoon the class day exercises and awarding of prizes will be held. At the Seminary the alumnae parade will take place before the luncheon on Saturday. In the afternoon there will be an art and home economics exhibit and a swimming exhibition for visiting guests of the schools. Saturday evening there will be a concert by the Estey chorus and Glee clubs of both schools in the auditorium on the Seminary campus.

On Sunday the Baccalaureate addresses will be delivered by Headmaster David R. Porter at Hermon and by President Park at the Seminary. Faculty receptions to alumni, seniors and their guests will be held at the homes of the headmaster and principal on Sunday afternoon. In the evening there will be an hour of music in the chapels of both schools, followed at the Seminary by a lantern service on Chapel Hill.

On Monday commencement exercises at Hermon will be held in Memorial chapel at 9:15 and at the Seminary in the auditorium at 11:15. The principal speaker at both graduations will be the Rev. James T. Cleland, Stone Associate Professor of Religion at Amherst college.

The Speakers Sunday At Hermon-Seminary

The speaker at Mt. Hermon Memorial chapel this Sunday will be Dr. Robert E. Speer, former moderator of the Presbyterian church, trustee of the Northfield schools, ex-president of the Federal Council of Churches, and for many years secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Services will be held at 10:30 and 5:30.

At the Seminary, Chaplain Harold B. Ingalls will conduct the morning service at 11 in Sage chapel and vesper service on Round Top at 5 in the afternoon.

Farewell To No. 3

On Saturday evening at 7 there will be a farewell party to No. 3 school at the schoolhouse in the upper farms, and it is urged that all who have attended or served the school in any capacity will arrange to attend. A most interesting program is to be rendered. The school ends its career because of the coming consolidation of Northfield schools. The committee in charge of the gathering consists of Mrs. Frank H. Montague, former pupil and teacher; Mrs. Jennie Warnock, former pupil; Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed, supervisor of music and Miss Dorothy O. Tolman, the teacher. If it is rainy the program will be held in the town hall.

Wishing Farm

I often wish to have a farm
Where cows upon a hill can graze,
And sheep with soft wool thick and warm
To meet the chill of wintry days.
The house, low-roofed, with fire-place wide
Will snugly in the hollow lie,
And up the chimney sparks will ride
In swift ascension to the sky.
An orchard and a forest deep
Where mystery lies in shadows dim;
A brook that sings, a pool to keep
A silver ribbon on its brim.
This may not be an easy thing—
To own a farm all set apart,
Yet here are dreams that quickly bring
Its acreage within my heart.

—Prescott Hoard
In Christian Science Monitor

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Armours Treet	2 cans 49c
Del Monte Grapefruit Juice	47-oz can 17c
Snowcrest Fruit Syrup	16-oz bottle 17c
Tip Top Soda (contents)	4 large bottles 29c
Chicken of Sea Tuna	2 cans 29c
Jim Dandy Bartlett Pears	No. 2½ can 18c
Van Camps (oval) Sardines	3 cans 25c
Jay Tee Dill Pickles	16-oz jar 10c
Del Monte Peas	2 tall cans 23c
Educator Crax	pkg 10c
Del Maiz Corn Niblets	12-oz can 10c
Van Dyke Stuffed Olives	3 tall bottles 25c
Van Dyke Marachino Cherries	3 tall bottles 25c
Sealect Evaporated Milk	4 tall cans 27c
Armours Pickled Pigs Feet	28-oz jar 25c
Franco-American Macaroni	can 8c
Kellogg Shredded Wheat	2 pkgs 17c
Deming Recipe Pink Salmon	can 15c
Blue Label Tomato Ketchup	2 14-oz bot. 25c
Royal Purple Grape Juice	pint bottle 11c
Armours Star Corned Beef	2 12-oz tins 35c
Campbells Tomato Soup	can 8c
Jim Dandy Prune Plums	2 2½-cans 25c

We Welcome Returning Summer Residents to
Our Store—Shop here where every purchase
means a SAVING — Stock up your shelves now
for your Summer needs.

TOWN TOPICS

The International club of Mt. Hermon school held a banquet at Valley Vista Inn last Wednesday evening.

Miss A. L. Richardson has returned from a winter spent in Florida and is now spending a short time here at the home of Mrs. Grace C. Cornell on Winchester road before going to her home at North Bridgeton, Me. She has rented her house in Rustic Ridge for this season.

Mrs. H. B. Catlin of Annyville, Pa., who was a former teacher at Mt. Hermon, was a visitor here last weekend on the campus with friends.

Stanley Edward Newton, son of Fred E. Newton of this town will be among the graduates in June of the West Virginia Wesleyan college at Buckhannon, W. Va. He entered Wesleyan in 1937, following his graduation from Mt. Hermon. He has majored in English and will be granted a bachelor science degree. He is a member of the Sigma Eta Delta fraternity.

Miss Beverly Briesmaster was home at Valley Vista Inn for the weekend from Brooklyn, N. Y.

Robert deVeer, who will graduate from Middlebury College in June, has passed the physical examination and has been accepted to enter the Naval Air Corps in July.

Mrs. Lawrence White and young son of Boston, spent last weekend with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Wright. Mr. White is on tour with the Boston Symphony orchestra.

A daughter, Martha Vittoria, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Eben Janes of South Main street on Wednesday, May 21.

Born at Newton hospital, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tabor Polhemus of Natick, and formerly of this town, on Saturday, May 24. Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Miller and Mrs. Lester Polhemus of Miami, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar E. Coburn are at their home here for the summer season. They arrived Monday by train from Orlando, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Ray and their daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scanlon of Rumford, R. I. spent last weekend at their cottage in Mountain Pk.

Mrs. Maude N. Voris of Jamaica, N. Y. with a party of friends arrived at her summer home on Myrtle street Thursday to spend the weekend. Her daughter, Arline Voris arrived on Friday with a friend.

A large trailer truck of the Minnehan Transportation Co., of Boston, going south through Main street last Friday, sustained a broken axle on the left front, just beyond the residence of Carl Mason. The axle sheered off completely at the wheel hub and the heavy vehicle plowed into the soft ground on the disk before stopping. No one was injured but the truck was considerably delayed before repairs could be made.

Miss Dorothy Phelps of this town, who has taken a course of study at the Greenfield Business school is now employed in the office at Wilsons.

William Nelson of the Youth Hostel was in Springfield last Saturday to speak and show pictures on hosteling, to a group of hostellers at the Central Y. M. C. A.

The grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of this state, has voted to hold the annual convention in 1942 at Springfield and the date is May 12.

On Saturday afternoon of last week, two automobiles came near to a serious collision on a narrow portion of Winchester road, near the junction of Myrtle street. Quick thinking by the drivers prevailed and the cars just missed side-swiping.

At the recent meeting of the local WCTU, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Phillip Porter; vice-president, Mrs. Martin E. Vorce; treasurer, Mrs. Lawrence H. Lazelle.

Max Huber, carrier at the East Northfield post office is having a two weeks vacation and Brainerd Willey is making the rounds on the route of delivery.

Jones: Did you hear about the fellow who invented a device for looking through walls?
Smith: No, I didn't. What does he call it?
Smith: A window.

Book Salesman: Sir, I have something exceedingly rare in the way of books!
Prospect: Thanks! When it comes to a book, I prefer one that's well done!

She: Is Jefferson careless with his money?
He: Is he! I've known him to buy bread when he didn't have a drop of gasoline in his car.

There is also food up there in your woodlot. Maple syrup and maple sugar taste mighty good and there is no reason why you cannot get your supply from

PRESS ADS BRING RESULTS

West Northfield and South Vernon

The Junior Mission society will meet with Mrs. White Saturday at 2 o'clock.

A student at the Nyack Missionary Training school will be the speaker at the South Vernon church next Sunday morning at 10:30. The Sunday school will meet at 11:45. The Loyal Workers meet at 6:30, with a talk by Miss Fanny Haseltine of Chester, Vt. There will be a service of sacred music at 7:30, given by the Northfield Congregational church choir, under the direction of Irving J. Lawrence.

The weekly prayer meeting will be held at the Vernon Home Thursday at 7 p. m.

John MacGaffigan has bought the Nellie Bice place and will move there this week.

Graduation exercises of the Vernon grammar schools will be held Friday, June 6 at the Vernon Union church.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Smith of Schenectady, N. Y. were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Edgar Bruce.

Mrs. Bernice Davis Russell of North Adams, a former teacher at the Dickinson hall school was a recent visitor in West Northfield. She was accompanied by her husband.

A meeting of the trustees of the Vernon Home was held at the home Tuesday. It was announced that the endowment of the home has increased \$4,820 since October, and is now \$55,999.

The South school P. T. A. will meet at the schoolhouse next Tuesday evening.

Several members of Vernon Grange took the fifth degree at the meeting of Windham county Pomona Grange at Newfane, Vt., Monday night.

Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Simonds of the Vernon home left today for Kezar Falls, Me., to visit their children. They plan to go later to their cottage in Alton Bay, N. H., for the summer.

The Ladies' Circle of the Vernon Union church will serve their annual strawberry supper, Wednesday. (See notice on page 1).

Mrs. Stanford of Westminster, Vt., is substituting as teacher of the Vernon north school for Mrs. Alice Dunklee, who is ill.

The Friendly club had their last meeting of the season, Thursday, in the form of a picnic at I. J. Lawrence's pond.

Mrs. M. H. Brown, who has been ill with tonsillitis and an infected thumb, is better.

The condition of Rev. B. F. White, who is ill in the Farren hospital, is reported improving. He will probably remain in the hospital this week.

Make The Wood Lot Work For You

The farm woodlot is a means for Yankee farmers to save many a dollar through the year, an all good farmers know the importance of products from their woodlots. To get the best out of the farm woodlot takes good planning and work, but the family that wants to get a better living from their farm knows that planning and work are the best means of getting most things.

The farm woodlot should supply the family with fence posts, enough wood to heat the house and keep the chicken brooder going, maple products, lumber for repairs, and even a little spare cash from the sale of wood. The woodlot should be considered as much a part of the farm as the pasture or the potato patch and should furnish a part of the farm income.

Probably the most important product of the woodlot is fuel. It is no longer a chore to keep a wood stove fueled, for the modern controlled wood-burning stoves make wood just about as convenient a fuel as coal. The big outstanding point in favor of these new stoves is the great convenience they offer. The new stoves have to be refueled only twice a day. Many farm families have equipped their homes with these new controlled wood-burning stoves and find that fuel from their farm woodlot is saving them a big coal bill.

When cutting wood for your fuel supply remember to cut those trees which are crooked, forked, diseased, or dying. You will be following good forestry management, and by weeding out these trees you will be helping the straight, thrifty trees in your woodlot develop into good saw logs.

Saw logs are another necessary product which your farm woodlot should supply. You will need lumber to repair the barns or to build new farm buildings. Most farm families should have two or three thousand feet of good seasoned boards on hand to take care of these needs.

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A Delightful Trifle

By Frances Lee Barton

I don't know who first named them "trifles" or why such a name was given to these delightful desserts. However, the name has "stuck" so all we must do is to prepare the best "trifles" we can. The appreciation of our guests will be our reward. Try the following when next you have company or when you wish to please your family at dessert time:

Jellied Trifle
1 package lemon-flavored gelatin; 1 package strawberry-flavored gelatin; 2 pints hot water; 1 cup diced canned pineapple; 12 marshmallows, finely cut; lady fingers or strips of cake; canned pineapple fingers; 1 cup cream, whipped.
Dissolve each package of gelatin in 1 pint of hot water. Turn into shallow pans. Chill until firm. Cut in cubes. Combine lemon-flavored gelatin cubes and pineapple. Combine strawberry-flavored gelatin cubes and marshmallows. Line large serving dish alternately with lady fingers and pineapple fingers. Place layer of lemon-flavored gelatin mixture in serving dish, then layer of strawberry-flavored gelatin mixture; repeat, finishing with layer of strawberry-flavored gelatin mixture. Top with whipped cream. Chill with gelatin cubes, if desired. Serves 10 to 12.

Hints For The Housewife

By Marion Cunningham

Spring is the time for gardening indoors as well as out. And if you haven't a plot of ground big enough for growing things, all the more reason to do your planting right inside your home. It's all done with tricky containers, proper placement of the plants and your own good taste.

Shelves especially made to fit window spaces and even indoor window boxes give the most leeway. If you have a window, or panel, of insulating glass blocks in one of your rooms, you'll find it a strikingly beautiful background for flowers. Adjustable shelves, painted the color of the woodwork in the room, and set against the translucent glass blocks, are particularly effective. You'll find that glass blocks, being insulators, will protect your flowers against harmful extremes of wind and weather.

Plant stands, always attractive for holding individual pots, can be bought almost anywhere these days in a variety of shapes and sizes. You can also make them out of surprising things. An old-fashioned umbrella rack, for instance, makes a perfect holder for flower or ivy pots and often reveals a surprisingly graceful form when painted a fresh, clean white. Vases in handblown, modern American crystal are as lovely a thing as you can find for holding cut flowers in your room. And with you, you'll find the material does a lot more decoration. A small, handblown vase of a square and holding a single red or white rose adds a gay note to your work desk or coffee table.

TOWN TOPICS

Norman Danforth of the U. S. Navy, who is on the destroyer Trippe, now at the Boston Navy yard, was a visitor last week at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Morgan.

There was held a Memorial day program at No. 4 school, Thursday afternoon, with the pupils and teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Clough, taking part. Many friends and parents attended.

A letter from Frank W. Kellogg, who is located at Glenwood Fla., in a home which he has purchased, states that he is enjoying the weather there, which is warm but not oppressive.

Visitors to the woods are being urged by the Wild Flower Preservation society, not to pick the wild flowers, especially the lady slipper, as there is a noticeable decline in the number of such plants. The destruction of such plants prevents the blossoms from seeding and spreading.

Thanksgiving will be observed uniformly, this year on Thursday, Nov. 20, a week earlier in this state, but next year the observance will go back in all states by Presidential proclamation. So many are in the camps of the Army this year that the date should be uniform, owing to the leaves granted for the 20th.

Mrs. Eugene LaBelle and her nephew, Alfred, were called to Franklin N. H. last weekend owing to the death of her cousin, Fred E. Duplaise.

The ashes of the late Charles F. Alexander, who was in business in Chicago and who was a former resident of this town, were brought here last Friday for burial in the family plot in the Northfield Farms cemetery. He died last winter in Los Angeles.

It is expected that Col. William Donovan, famous as the Colonel of the Fighting 69th of New York in the World War, will be among the speakers at the commencement of Deerfield Academy on June 4th. Many will be anxious to hear him.

Rev. Mabel Makepeace, who has been very ill, was removed to the Franklin County hospital in the ambulance Wednesday afternoon.

The police of Greenfield are making a special effort to apprehend those motorists, who exceed the 25-mile per hour limit on their streets. G. Peaslee Bond of this town was one of those hailed for speeding this week.

Members of the Northfield Garden club will meet and picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr on Winchester road next Monday at 6:30. The meeting will be held rain or shine.

A divorce libel was filed in probate court this week by Mrs. Alys D. Hubbard who charges Roger E. Hubbard of Greenfield with cruelty. Married in Millerton, N. Y. in 1934, they have one minor child, over whom she seeks custody and allowance for support.

Rev. Dr. Arthur Brown and his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Brown of New York City were in town this week to attend the funeral services of the late Rev. Dr. Elliott W. Brown.

Carroll H. Miller, who is president of the County Beekeepers' association attended a meeting of the organization in Greenfield Monday evening. Also in attendance were Mrs. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Parker.

Mrs. Roy N. Barrows is the cradle roll superintendent of the Sunday school of the Congregational church which last week so successfully conducted a party with 29 children and 24 mothers attending.

Dr. Gladys (Holmes) Bailey, who was native of Farley died at her home in Tenafly, N. J. on Tuesday. She was born July 13, 1901 in Farley and was the daughter of Charles H. Holmes and the late Nellie Mae Holmes. She is survived by her husband, and a son, her father, a sister, and two brothers. She had several degrees and was a professor of biology. The family were well known to many here.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon Kent of Danvers, at the Beverly hospital on May 24. She has been named Sally Irene, and is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grove W. Deming of Mt. Hermon.

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By Frances Lee Barton

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Chocolate Chip Cookies
1 package semi-sweet chocolate; ½ cup butter or other shortening; ½ cup granulated sugar; ½ cup brown sugar, firmly packed; 1 egg, well beaten; 1½ cup sifted cake flour; ¼ teaspoon salt; ¼ teaspoon soda; ½ cup chopped nut meats; 1 teaspoon vanilla.
Cut each small square of chocolate in 4 to 6 pieces. Cream butter, add sugars gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg and mix well. Sift flour once, measure, add salt and soda, and sift again. Add flour in two parts and mix well. Add out chocolate, nuts, and vanilla, and mix thoroughly. Drop from teaspoon on greased baking sheet 1 inch apart. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 10 to 12 minutes. Makes about 80 cookies.

The choir of the Congregational church under the direction of Irving J. Lawrence gave a program of sacred music at Metcalf Memorial chapel in Warwick last Sunday evening.

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EDITORIAL

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day used to be called Decoration Day, and all through the country the day was given over to exercise of a patriotic nature, and the graves of the soldiers who had lost their lives in the Civil War, or had died from the effect of wounds or injuries received during that war, were covered with flowers.

Through the passing of two generations there has grown up a custom of the decoration of family lots. How happy and proud we should be that we live in a country where we take time to pause, and pray for our beloved dead!

SEA POWER

"History shows that the decisive factor in all great wars invariably has been sea power," wrote Rear Admiral Clark H. Woodward, U. S. N., recently. Think back over the major conflicts of history and you'll realize the truth of that. When Drake's fleet destroyed the Spanish Armada, he eliminated one of the greatest threats to English security and safety. When Nelson broke the back of French sea power at Trafalgar, he assured Napoleon's ultimate defeat. Japan, under the brilliant Admiral Togo, made herself a world power to be reckoned with when her fleet routed the Russian navy at Port Arthur. And in World War I, it was the British fleet, under Jellicoe which forced the German navy to bottle itself up in port after the battle of Jutland, and so made it possible to tighten the blockade which proved to be one of the decisive factors in that sanguinary conflict.

Sea power has always made world history—and it is for that reason that a number of military authorities tend to the belief that Germany's great successes on land important as they are, cannot win the war for her no matter how far they may be carried.

EMERGENCY

The President has spoken and Americans all will now unite for every effort to make common cause in the defeat of Hitlerism and all that his system implies. Humanity as well as democracy must be saved for civilization from a brute monster who seeks blood in his vengeance and a mastery of all nations with the subjugation of their peoples. America will help the depressed and down-trodden now, as in former years, and there should be no handicap in our endeavors.

The Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olsson

Recently when I wrote, I mentioned the elm leaf beetle. That brings to mind this question of trees for the home grounds. The hurricane in 1938 cleared out the trees which were framing my place and, while I've done some planting of trees since, there is still more to be done. Thinking you might in the same boat, here are a few suggestions on trees for the average home owner.

In the big stuff—I mean big trees—elms of course are outstanding. New England I think is probably as famous for its elm trees as for anything else; that is, in the way of natural attributes.

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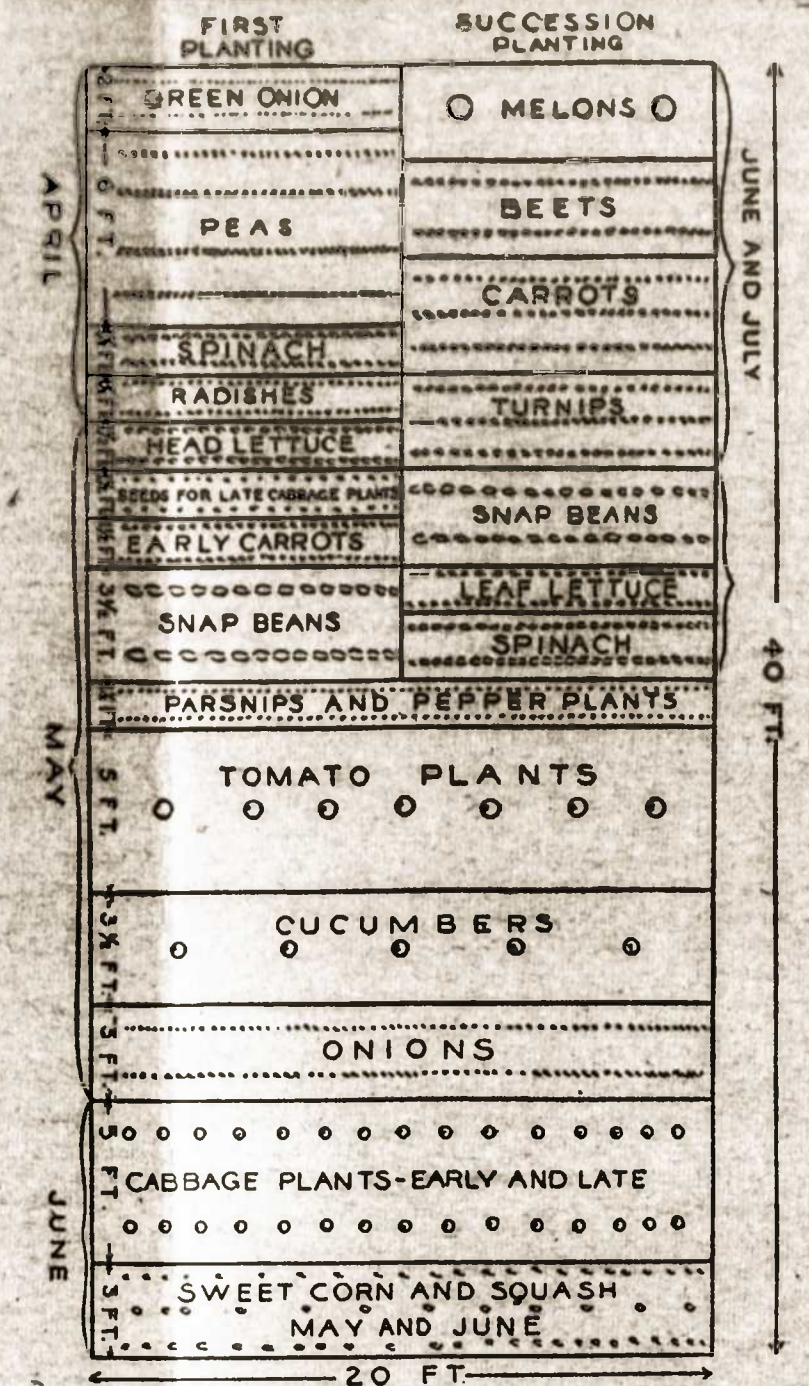
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PLAN FOR A SMALL GARDEN



Here is a good layout for a small back-yard garden, suggested in the Ford Home Almanac. A plot so arranged will produce a surprising amount of vegetables.

According to the Ford Almanac, the family with a garden in the back yard, or on a very small plot, can largely overcome the handicap of limited size by planting companion and succession crops. In companion cropping, two crops occupy the soil at the same time—one a quickly maturing crop, the other a crop that requires longer time to develop and, when grown, more space. The earlier crop is harvested before the later crop matures. In succession cropping, one crop is harvested, then the ground is again prepared and planted to a second crop. A letter to most any state agricultural college will bring a pamphlet telling in detail how this is done.

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700,305 pupils enrolled in Massachusetts public schools, of whom 468,268 were in elementary grades and 232,042 in secondary grades. Private and parochial schools brought the total of sub-collegiate enrollment to 884,557. The total cost of public schools in the state last year was \$69,818,826. . . . Change from trolley car to bus in Massachusetts is reflected by the reduction from 2952 in 1916 to 534 in 1934 in the miles of electric railways operated. Steam railroad mileage dropped to 1857 miles in 1938 as compared with 2131 miles in 1916.

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